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1. (40 POINTS) Unlimited supply coin change problem with values and weights. There are  $n$  types of coins. We have an unlimited supply of each coin type. The  $i$ -th coin type has weight  $w_i$  and value  $v_i$  (where  $w_i$  and  $v_i$  are both positive integers). We want to pay amount  $A$  so that the total weight of the coins used is  $B$  and we minimize the total number of coins used. We will solve the problem using dynamic programming. Let  $T[a, b]$  be the minimum number of coins that can be used to pay amount  $a$  with the total weight of the coins used being  $b$  (we let  $T[a, b] = \infty$  if it is not possible to pay amount  $a$  with the total weight of the coins used being  $b$ ). Give an expression (or a piece of code) to compute  $T[a, b]$  from smaller subproblems. You don't have to deal with the base cases. **Clearly explain your expression (or code). Clearly indicate your final answer.**



2. (40 POINTS) A sequence  $c_1, \dots, c_\ell$  is **palindromic** if  $c_j = c_{\ell+1-j}$  for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$ . We say that a subsequence of a sequence  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is **valid** if no 2 consecutive numbers of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are selected.<sup>1</sup> We are given a sequence  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and want to find the longest subsequence of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  that is both valid and palindromic. For  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$  let  $T[i, j]$  be the length of the longest valid palindromic subsequence of  $a_i, \dots, a_j$ . Give an expression (or a piece of code) to compute the value of  $T[i, j]$  from smaller subproblems. For simplicity assume  $j - i \geq 4$ . You don't have to deal with the base cases. **Clearly explain your expression (or code). Clearly indicate your final answer.**

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<sup>1</sup>Recall that a subsequence of  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  is any sequence of the form  $a_{i_1}, \dots, a_{i_\ell}$  where  $\ell \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_\ell \leq n$ . A subsequence is valid if  $i_{j+1} - i_j > 1$  for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, \ell - 1\}$ .



3. (40 POINTS) A **shuffle** of two strings  $A[1..n]$  and  $S[1..m]$  is formed by interspersing the characters into a new string, keeping the characters of  $A$  and  $S$  in the same order (for example, ‘several’ is a shuffle of ‘seal’ and ‘evr’). We are given 3 strings  $A[1..n], B[1..m], C[1..p]$ . We want to check whether there exists a shuffle of  $A[1..n]$  and a subsequence<sup>2</sup> of  $B[1..m]$  that is  $C[1..p]$ . We will solve the problem using dynamic programming. Let  $T[i, j, k] = \text{true}$  if and only if there exists a shuffle of  $A[1..i]$  and a subsequence of  $B[1..j]$  that is  $C[1..k]$ . Give an expression (or a piece of code) to compute the value of  $T[i, j, k]$  from smaller subproblems. You don’t have to deal with the base cases. **Clearly explain your expression. Clearly indicate your final answer.**

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<sup>2</sup>A **subsequence** of a string  $B[1..m] = B[1]B[2] \dots B[m]$  is a string  $B[i_1]B[i_2] \dots B[i_\ell]$  where  $\ell \in \{0, \dots, m\}$  and  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_\ell \leq m$ .